

Information Technology Governance Policies & Standards

Policy Title
World Wide Web Publishing Policy

Chief Information Officer Approval

Date

Effective Date.

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1.0 PURPOSE:

To establish policies to ensure that King County has a consistent approach for all of its on-line communication, whether for the public or employees. Users who access these sites not only access individual agencies' sites - they tap into the complete, integrated resources of the County's presence on the Web.

2.0 APPLICABILITY:

Applicable to King County Government.

3.0 <u>REFERENCES</u>:

- 3.1 <u>King County World Wide Web Publishing Standards</u>
- 3.2 <u>Internet and World Wide Web Usage Policy</u>

4.0 <u>DEFINITIONS</u>:

- 4.1 **Internet:** a global set of interconnected smaller networks that transfer data between computer applications.
- 4.2 **Intranet:** an interconnected network that is separated from the Internet by a firewall, generally internal to an organization.
- 4.3 **World Wide Web:** a world wide set of documents, software, and the rules to connect them across the Internet and Intranet; often abbreviated as WWW.
- 4.4 **Download:** to copy and retain computer files.
- 4.5 **Web Server:** a computer that is at least partially dedicated to processing WWW requests, a server that has an Internet application that services HTTP protocol requests.
- 4.6 **Firewall:** software or hardware that isolates a corporate intranet from the Internet; typically allowing access to the Internet but not allowing users from the Internet access to the intranet.

5.0 POLICIES:

- 5.1 Appropriate Use of the World Wide Web
 - 5.1.1 Any information published on the Internet should be reviewed and approved as if the same information was printed on paper.
- 5.2 County Standards

5.2.1 All publications on the World Wide Web must follow current County World Wide Web Publishing standards.

6.0 RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 6.1 The Information and Telecommunications Services Division will:
 - 6.1.1 Coordinate County World Wide Web development and growth;
 - 6.1.2 Communicate and educate County employees about the County's World Wide Web publishing development and maintenance responsibilities and County web publishing standards and guidelines;
 - 6.1.3 Will maintain and improve World Wide Web technology as needed by county agencies, and will advise about what does and does not work in the existing county-wide web system;
 - 6.1.4 Provide and retain the required World Wide Web publication approval form for sign-off by agency management;
 - 6.1.5 Supply County World Wide Web publishing templates and other standard graphics;
 - 6.1.6 Provide a dedicated storage server where an agency can store files for download from the County's World Wide Web site;
 - 6.1.7 Provide technical assistance to get County World Wide Web pages up and running based on the design, implementation and maintenance arrangements made above;
 - 6.1.8 Provide technical assistance after County World Wide Web pages are up and running on a limited and as-needed basis.
- 6.2 County agencies will:
 - 6.2.1 Develop appropriate content for agency World Wide Web publications;
 - 6.2.2 Maintain agency World Wide Web publications;
 - 6.2.3 Respond to inquiries related to the agency's business.

7.0 <u>POLICY GUIDELINES:</u>

None.